

MISSION

The mission of the North Carolina Criminal Justice Fellows Program is to recruit talented high school graduates and high school seniors into the criminal justice profession. Each year this program will fund fellowships for scholars who have exhibited high academic achievement, a history of service to the school and community, and a desire to serve the state of North Carolina in a field within the criminal justice profession.



Additional Information

- We encourage applicants to begin establishing relationships with agencies they plan to seek employment with.
- This program is not meant for those who intend to get a Bachelor's Degree immediately after earning an Associates Degree.
- Those that are accepted into the program must graduate within two years with their Associates Degree.
- If a fellow chooses to work for a state agency he/she must request the agency post them in an eligible county.

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Criminal Justice
Standards Division

Criminal Justice Professionals

- ◆ State and local sworn law-enforcement officers.
- ◆ State correctional officers.
- ◆ State juvenile justice officers.
- ◆ Other correctional officers maintained by local governments, and juvenile justice agencies.
- ◆ Sworn Sheriffs and Deputy Sheriffs.
- ◆ Detention Officers.
- ◆ Telecommunicators under the direct supervision of a law enforcement agency.



Fellowship

- ⇒ Provide 100 fellowships annually for students to attend a NC community college that are interested in a criminal justice profession.
- ⇒ The student must receive their Associates Degree.
- ⇒ Students that receive the fellowship will have five years to repay the loan once receiving their Associates Degree.
- ⇒ The loan will be forgiven if the student enters a criminal justice profession in an eligible county in North Carolina and works for four years.

Application Process

- ⇒ The application process will open on November 1st and will close on May 31st of each year.
- ⇒ The application can be located on the Department of Justice website www.ncdoj.gov.
- ⇒ Applicants will be notified of their selection of a fellowship no later than June 1st of each year.



Every Applicant Must Submit:

- SAT/ ACT Scores.
- Transcript showing GPA.
- School and Community Service/ Activities.
- Essay describing your future career goals in the criminal justice profession.
- References.

Eligible Counties

Counties with a Population of less than 200,000

Alamance	Edgecombe	Orange
Alexander	Franklin	Pamlico
Alleghany	Gates	Pasquotank
Anson	Graham	Pender
Ashe	Granville	Perquimans
Avery	Greene	Person
Beaufort	Halifax	Pitt
Bertie	Harnett	Polk
Bladen	Haywood	Randolph
Brunswick	Henderson	Richmond
Burke	Hertford	Robeson
Caldwell	Hoke	Rockingham
Camden	Hyde	Rowan
Carteret	Iredell	Rutherford
Caswell	Jackson	Sampson
Catawba	Jones	Scotland
Chatham	Lee	Stanly
Cherokee	Lenoir	Stokes
Chowan	Lincoln	Surry
Clay	McDowell	Swain
Cleveland	Macon	Transylvania
Columbus	Madison	Tyrrell
Craven	Martin	Vance
Currituck	Mitchell	Warren
Dare	Montgomery	Washington
Davidson	Moore	Watauga
Davie	Nash	Wayne
Duplin	Northampton	Wilkes
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An applicant may reside in any NC county at the time of application and may attend any NC community college.

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After completion of their degree, the applicant must be employed as a criminal justice professional in an eligible county.

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The applicant must not have been convicted of a felony or any crime as outlined in the course guide.